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CITY OF BURLINGTON RECEIVES TIGER GRANT

On Friday, March 9, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) announced the 2017 list of recipients for discretionary grants under the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) program. The city of Burlington was awarded \$17.0 million for a downtown and riverfront revitalization project. The project will convert portions of two streets into complete streets, construct a park, and install new boat ramps, along with other improvements. More information on the project can be found here.

The TIGER discretionary grant program is a competitive grant process administered by the USDOT that awards grants to support innovative road, rail, transit, and port projects. Since its inception in 2009, there have been nine rounds of funding. At least 20.0% of all funds must go to rural projects. Iowa also received a TIGER grant in the 2016 award cycle for the city of Des Moines.

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